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**Response and Amendment**

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The following amendments and remarks are submitted in response to the Office Action mailed October 10, 2002. Applicants submit that the following amendments are proper and should be entered because the amendments place the application in condition for allowance or in better form for appeal. The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider the present application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

In the Specification

On page 5, please replace the paragraph after **TEST METHODS** with the following:

a1 Material caliper (thickness): The caliper of a material is a measure of thickness and is measured at 0.05 psi with a STARRET-type bulk tester, in units of millimeters.

On page 11, please replace the first full paragraph beginning with "Figure 4" with the following:

a2 Figure 4 shows an embodiment of the present invention with a self-contained external bellows attached to the product. Figure 4 shows an outside view of one example of a diaper 36 with a bellows 20 attached thereto. The diaper 36 includes a bodyside liner or topsheet 37 and an outercover or backsheet 39 which are sealed about the periphery so as to encapsulate an absorbent core (not shown). The bellows 20 is located in the waist area on the exterior of the diaper 36 between the attachment areas 38 for the "ears" 40 of the diaper 36. The intake valving 42 of the bellows 20 is located on the front of the diaper 36. Figure 5 shows a view of the inside of a diaper showing the discharge valving 44 which